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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: ECONOMIC EFFECT OF ITALY'S CHARTER  
REGULATIONS

REF: ROME 15264

1. NATIONAL AIR CARRIERS ASSOCIATION (NACA) HAS ECHOED  
EMBASSY CONCERN OVER EFFECT OF MINIMUM PRICE PROVISION  
ON CHARTER TRAVEL TO ITALY. CONSENSUS OF NACA MEMBERS  
APPEARS TO BE THAT STRICT ADHERENCE TO MINIMUM PRICES FOR  
OTC/TGC/ABC CHARTERS AFTER CURRENT CHARTER REGS EXPIRE  
MARCH 31, 1977 IS LIKELY TO RESULT IN SHIFT OF TRAFFIC  
FROM ITALY TO OTHER TOURIST POINTS DRYING UP THE ITALIAN  
CHARTER MARKET.

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2. NACA FURTHER CONTENDS THAT ABOLISHING AFFINITY GROUP

CHARTERS, WHICH MAKE UP A SIGNIFICANT PART OF U.S.-ITALY MOVEMENT, WILL BE DETRIMENTAL TO ITALIAN TOURISM AND TO NACA MEMBERS' INTEREST.

3. DEPARTMENT IS ATTEMPTING TO ASSEMBLE DATA TO FURTHER BUTTRESS PRESENTATION OF NACA'S VIEWS. WE ARE ALREADY PURSUED NACA'S ARGUMENTS MERIT SERIOUS CONSIDERATION

AND BELIEVE THEY SHOULD BE BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE ITALIAN CIVAIR AUTHORITIES.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY SHOULD DRAW UPON ABOVE AND ITS OWN INFORMATION GATHERED FROM LOCAL TRADE SOURCES TO EXPRESS USG CONCERN TO ITALIAN CIVAIR AUTHORITIES OVER EFFECT OF IMPLEMENTATION OF MINIMUM PRICE PROVISIONS AND ELIMINATION OF AFFINITY GROUP CHARTERS. WE WOULD FAVOR NO IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE ELEMENTS OF THE GOI CHARTER POLICY AT ALL BUT WOULD, REGARD AS SECOND BEST A FURTHER POSTPONEMENT UNTIL THE ECONOMIC EFFECTS HAVE BEEN ADEQUATELY ASSESSED. KISSINGER

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